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FOR: JOHN SIMMONS ARA/EB

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SUBJ: INSECT-O-CUTOR LOST AIR SHIPMENT

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1. MR. W.R. MCSWEENEY VISITED CARACAS AND SPOKE WITH EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE TO VISIT AIRPORT TO DISCUSS SHIPMENT WITH CUSTOMS OFFICIALS, IF NECESSARY. MC SWEENEY DID NOT AGAIN CONTACT EMBASSY TO FIX TIME FOR VISIT OR TO AGAIN REVIEW PROBLEM. CHARLES JOHNSON, AGENT FOR MC SWEENEY IN CARACAS, INFORMED EMBASSY FOLLOWING MCSWEENEY DEPARTURE THAT IT HAD BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENT WITH ANY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING AGENT'S OWN CUSTOMS BROKER. HOWEVER, JOHNSON STATED THAT HE AND MCSWEENEY HAD VISITED AIRPORT ALONE AND FOUND A CUSTOMS EMPLOYEE WILLING TO HELP WITH PROBLEM. JOHNSON NOW EXPECTS RAPID SOLUTION.

2. COMMENT: JOHNSON STATED THAT TRADITIONAL METHODS HAD BEEN USED TO RESOLVE PROBLEM. FOR THIS REASON, POST SUSPECTS THAT PRESENCE OF EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE WOULD HAVE BEEN INAPPROPRIATE. POST SINCERELY HOPES THAT THIS CASE WILL NOW BE RAPIDLY CONCLUDED AND WILL SEND IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION OF FINAL OUTCOME.
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